

The Capture of Jericho

Sunday School Lesson for Oct. 20, 1937

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LESSON TEXT.—Joshua 6:1-24. Memorize Verse 2.

GOLDEN TEXT.—"By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they were compassed about seven days."—Heb. 11:30.

TIME.—April, about B. C. 1461, according to the margins of our Bibles. Scholars are divided as to the period, whether it be in the vicinity of the Tel-el-Amarna letters before B. C. 1460, or in the century following Ramesses II. between B. C. 1280 and 1200.

PLACE.—Gilead and Jericho in the plain on the west side of the Jordan.

Comment and Suggestive Thought.—The Right of Israel to the Land.—

The representation of the books of Joshua, Judges (2:2), and of Deuteronomy is that the conquest of Canaan was in accordance with the plan and the command of God. And God always does and always commands only what is right. But how could it be right for one nation to drive another from their homes and destroy them? Distinguish between a command of God to do a thing and the way some people execute the command. History affords in good things done in a wicked way. We can approve of the doing, while condemning the way it was done.

The Fall of Jericho.—"And it came to pass," etc. Better, "And it was according as Joshua said" in the previous verses of the chapter.

The plan of the attack was for all the men of war (v. 3) to march around the city once a day for six days, and on the seventh day to march around it seven times, the last time with a long blast of the trumpets and a great shout from all the men when the walls were to fall.

From the whole account we learn the order of procession. From whatever different sources the present account may have been drawn, the story is one harmonious statement of the facts. The order of march seems to have been as follows:

First. A vanguard of armed men who marched in silence at the head of the procession (vs. 3, 10). They were to utter no vainglorious speeches—such as Goliath did when he met David, and De Bohun at Bannockburn—to give no answer to the taunts which the men on the walls may have thrown at them. It was an ominous, portentous silence "as deep as eternity," "a silence that oppresses with too great a weight," the silence in the center of the cyclone before it bursts forth in its career of devastation.

Second. Vs. 8, 13. Then followed a company of seven priests, doubtless in their rich, priestly garments, showing to the Jericho people on the walls that what they were doing was in the service and with the power of Jehovah, who had made a path for the Israelites through Jordan. These were blowing "trumpets of rams' horns," the jubilee trumpets, the kind that ushered in the new year (Lev. 23:24) and announced the year of jubilee (Lev. 25:9). These were like the bands which lead processions in our day with marching music to which the people keep step.

Third. After these came the Ark of the Covenant borne by priests, the Ark which stood in the river-bed while the people were crossing, the Ark which showed that the Lord God was leading and defending them, but on condition that the Israelites kept their part of the covenant.

Fourth. After these came the (v. 13) "reeward," i. e., rear guard, consisting of the rest of the men of Israel marching in silence around the city. No sign of triumph was to be raised, no words of rejoicing over the foe, nor of conscious strength. But in solemn, reverent silence, as if God alone was speaking to them, in meditation and silent prayer they were to move around the city.

For Six Successive Days.—V. 14. This was trying to their faith, and may have seemed to some to be a hopeless waste of time. Some one of the seven days must have been a Sabbath, and the action a breaking of the Sabbath; but it was a solemn, religious service, and no more broke the Sabbath than does the marching of the Salvation Army to draw men to their meetings.

The Seventh Day.—Vs. 15, 16, 20. On this day the circuit was made seven times in succession. At the seventh time, while the men were still somewhere around the city walls, but probably not wholly surrounding the city, the signal was given as announced (v. 5) by a long blast of the trumpets, different from the marching music, and all the men (v. 39) shouted with a great shout.

The orientals take a peculiar delight in noise. "When our people are in lead earnest, they are generally silent; but the more in earnest an oriental is, the louder he shouts. Even Arab boatmen, when in great danger, and every man is doing his utmost in struggling with the waves, will waste a lot of strength and breath in shouting."—Hon. Selah Merrill.

Practical Points.—The capture of Jericho illustrates the means by which the victory can be gained.

Sin entrenched in our hearts, the evil passions, selfishness, and all the works of the flesh described in Gal. 19:21, form a Jericho to be conquered for the kingdom of Christ with its attitudes and commendations.

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GIVING HIM A CHANCE.

Surely Time for Hubby to Do a Lively Sidestep.

Mrs. Wilson's husband was often obliged to go to New York on business, and frequently did not reach his home until the arrival of the midnight train. Mrs. Wilson had been in the habit of sleeping peacefully at these times without fear, but a number of burglaries in the neighborhood during one of her husband's trips to New York had disturbed her calm.

On the night of his return Mr. Wilson was stealing carefully up the front stairs, as was his wont on such occasions, so that his wife would not be awakened, when he heard her voice, high and strained:

"I don't know whether you are my husband or a burglar," came the excited tones, "but I am going to be on the safe side and shoot, so if you are Henry you'd better get out of the way."—Youth's Companion.

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Excusable.

"I suppose," remarked the coy widow, "that you are an advocate of early marriages?"

"Oh, yes, I am," replied the scanty haired bachelor.

"Then," continued the c. w., "why is it you are still a bachelor?"

"That's quite another matter," answered the Bachelor. "The only marriages I believe in are early ones, because there is some excuse for youthful follies."—Chicago News.

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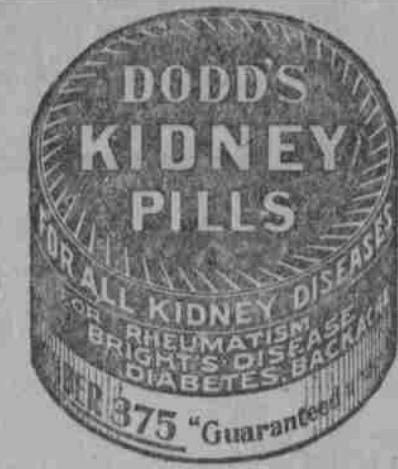
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Washington Gossip

Interesting Bits of News Picked Up Here and There at the National Capital



WASHINGTON. — Preparatory to submitting their annual reports and estimates to congress at the coming session, the commissioners are considering the advisability of providing public baths in the District. They strongly favor the establishment of public baths, and last year recommended that an appropriation be made sufficient to build two, but congress turned it down. This year, it is stated, the commissioners will ask for an appropriation with which to establish public baths for the accommodation of pupils of the public schools, and the establishment of public laundries in connection with the public baths.

All of the commissioners are anxious to provide some kind of bathing or swimming scheme for the school children. It is their aim to make the scheme of such a nature as to have swimming lessons as part of the course of studies at the schools. They

think every child, boy or girl, should learn the art of swimming.

In connection with the effort of the commissioners to secure these public baths it is also likely they will endeavor to establish one or two public laundries in the District. This idea is something new and novel in this part of the country, although such places are common throughout Europe.

It is the belief that a public laundry should be connected with every public bathhouse erected in the District and to have each laundry supplied with not less than 30 stationary wash tubs, where the women of the poorer classes can take their clothing to be washed, requiring only a trifling sum for soap and other incidentals. Connected with each laundry it is the idea to have a "drying-room," where the women can take clothes after the washing to be dried, either by hot air or steam.

OLD SORES FED AND KEPT OPEN BY IMPURITIES IN THE BLOOD

Whenever a sore refuses to heal it is because the blood is not pure and healthy, as it should be, but is infected with poisonous germs or some old blood taint which has corrupted and polluted the circulation. Those most usually afflicted with old sores are persons who have reached or passed middle life. The vitality of the blood and strength of the system have naturally begun to decline, and the poisonous germs which have accumulated because of a sluggish and inactive condition of the system, or some hereditary taint which has hitherto been held in check, now force an outlet on the face, arms, legs or other part of the body. The place grows red and angry, festers and eats into the surrounding tissue until it becomes a chronic and stubborn ulcer, fed and kept open by the impurities with which the blood is saturated. Nothing is more trying and disagreeable than a stubborn, non-healing sore. The very fact that it resists ordinary remedies and treatments is good reason for suspicion; the same germ-producing cancerous ulcers is back of every old sore, and especially is this true if the trouble is an inherited one. Washes, salves, nor indeed anything else, applied directly to the sore, can do any permanent good; neither will removing the sore with caustic plasters or the surgeon's knife make a lasting cure. If every particle of the diseased flesh were taken away another sore would come, because the trouble is in the blood, and the BLOOD CANNOT BE CUT AWAY. The cure must come by a thorough cleansing of the blood. In S. S. S. will be found a remedy for sores and ulcers of every kind. It is an unequalled blood purifier—one that goes directly into the circulation and promptly cleanses it of all poisons and taints. It gets down to the very bottom of the trouble and forces out every trace of impurity and makes a complete and lasting cure. S. S. S. changes the quality of the blood so that instead of feeding the diseased parts with impurities, it nourishes the irritated, inflamed flesh with healthy blood.

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